

Wednesday, February 9, 2005 9:30 a.m.

State of Nevada Contractor's Board Meridian Gold Building 9670 Gateway Drive, First Floor #100 Reno, Nevada 89511

and, via videoconference:

State Contractors' Board Hearing Room 2310 Corporate Circle #200 Henderson, Nevada 89074

MINUTES

These minutes constitute a summary of the above proceedings of the Nevada Commission on Ethics. A verbatim transcript of the open session proceedings, prepared by a certified court reporter, is available for inspection at the Commission offices.

Commission Members Present (Reno): Rick Hsu, Esq., Chairman; George Keele, Esq.; Jim Kosinski, Esq.

Commission Members Present (Las Vegas): Timothy Cashman; William Flangas, P.E.;

Commission Members Absent: Caren Jenkins, Esq., Vice Chairman Mark Hutchison, Esq.

Commission on Ethics Staff Present: Stacy M. Jennings, Executive Director; Emily H. Nunez, Office Manager

Others Present: Neil Rombardo, Senior Deputy Attorney General, representing the Nevada Commission on Ethics

Chairman Hsu called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 9, 2005.

Agenda Item 1 – Open Session to approve the Minutes of January 12, 2005 Commission Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of January 12, 2005 was put to a vote and passed with a majority. Commissioner Kosinski abstained since he did not attend the January meeting.

Agenda Item 2 - Closed Session

The Commission heard testimony, received evidence, deliberated, and rendered an opinion relating to a confidential Advisory Opinion Request submitted pursuant to NRS 281.511, subsection 1.

Agenda Item 3 – Closed Session to confer with Legal Counsel

Closed Session pursuant to NRS 241.015, Subsection 2(b)(2), to confer with Legal Counsel regarding pending litigation in which the Commission has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power; and, if necessary, to deliberate toward a decision on the matters.

Agenda Item 4 – Open Session if necessary to take any action as a result of agenda item number 3

Agenda item number 3 was a closed session to discuss privileged communications with legal counsel. There was no need to take action as a result of agenda item number 3. Therefore, agenda item number 4 was withdrawn.

Agenda Item 5 – Open Session for further discussion regarding potential changes to the ethics laws pending before the 2005 Nevada Legislature.

The Executive Director provided the Commission with an update to the bill draft requests she is currently tracking; an update to the Governor's budget recommendations regarding the Commission; and an update to the information the Commission had requested at the January 12, 2005 meeting. After discussions about the legislative bill changes and recommendations made by commissioners, no action was taken and the agenda item was closed.

Agenda Item 6 – Open Session for public comment.

The Executive Director announced the Commission that the Commission office in Carson City would be moving on the 17th & 18th of February. She also noted several issues that will be agendized for the upcoming March meeting.

Chairman Hsu adjourned the meeting at 12:23 p.m.	
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Emily H. Nunez Office Manager	Rick Hsu, Esq. Chairman